

Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the purpose of the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program?

The purpose of the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program is to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, and interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified needs.

2. How much funding is available under the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program will be \$34,002,500. Of that amount, \$21,645,000 was appropriated for designated state and local EOC projects throughout the nation. The remaining \$12,357,500 is available for competitive allocations to eligible state, local, or tribal governments' principal EOCs.

3. Are there any differences between the FY 2009 and FY 2008 EOC Grant Programs?

The purpose of the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program remains the same as the FY 2008 program. In terms of funding, \$14,572,500 was available for the FY 2008 EOC Grant Program, whereas \$34,002,500 is available under the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program.

4. Who is eligible to apply for FY 2009 EOC Grant Program funds?

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only eligible entity able to apply for the available funding on behalf of eligible state, local, and tribal EOCs.

5. What are the key milestones associated with the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program?

The key milestones associated with the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program are:

- Dec. 16, 2008: Grant Guidance and Application Kit released
- Feb. 6, 2009: Deadline for subgrantees to submit applications to the SAA
- Feb. 27, 2009: Applications due to DHS-FEMA by the SAA

6. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program?

The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act of 2009 (Public Law 110-329) provided funding for this program.

7. What is the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program period of performance?

The period of performance of this grant program is 36 months. Extensions to the period of performance will be considered only through formal requests to FEMA with specific and compelling justification why an extension is required.

8. Where is the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit located?

The FY 2009 EOC Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit is located online at http://www.fema.gov/grants as well as at www.grants.gov.

9. How will the FY 2009 EOC Grant Program applications be submitted?

Completed applications must be submitted electronically through <u>www.grants.gov</u> no later than 11:59 PM EST, Feb. 27, 2009.

10. What other resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions?

- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling & Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov. CSID hours of operation are from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm (EST), Monday – Friday.
- To access application forms and instructions, please refer to http://www.grants.gov, the CFDA number for EOC is 97.001. If you experience difficulties or have any questions, please call the grants.gov customer support hotline at (800) 518-4726.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, please contact the FEMA Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via email to ASK-GMD@dhs.gov.